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15	NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
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18	JONNIE HOMYK, et al.,	Master File No. 4:21-cv-03343-JST and related case, No. 4:21-cv-04357	
19	Plaintiffs, v.	LEAD PLAINTIFF'S	
20	CHEMOCENTRYX, INC. et al.,	ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO CONSIDER WHETHER ANOTHER	
21	Defendants.	PARTY'S MATERIALS SHOULD BE	
22	Detendants.	SEALED	
23		Hearing Date: July 31, 2025	
24		Time: 2:00 p.m. Judge: Honorable Jon S. Tigar	
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with Civil Local Rules 79-5(f) and 7-11 Lead Plaintiff Indiana Public Retirement System ("Lead Plaintiff") provisionally files under seal Lead Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendants' Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment and Lead Plaintiff's Reply in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment ("Opposition"). The Protective Order (ECF No. 69) provides that Lead Plaintiff must provisionally file the Opposition under seal, as it quotes and references materials that Defendants have designated "Confidential" and argue require sealing.

While obligated to file the Opposition provisionally under seal under the Protective Order, Lead Plaintiff believes that the Opposition does <u>not</u> contain information warranting sealing. *See* Civil L.R. 79-5(e) ("Only in rare circumstances should a party seek to file portions of a pleading or brief under seal."). Furthermore, that information referenced in the Opposition may have been previously sealed by the Court at an earlier stage of the proceeding is inconsequential, as both Your Honor and the Ninth Circuit have explained. *See In re Twitter Inc. Secs. Litig.*, 2020 WL 14042881, at \*2 (N.D. Cal. June 16, 2020) (quoting *Kamakana v. City & Cnty. of Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178-79 (9th Cir. 2006)) ("The 'compelling reasons' standard is invoked even if the dispositive motion, or its attachments, were previously filed under seal," and "the prior sealing of this information is of minimal significance.").

"The compelling reasons standard is demanding and potential harm to business or litigation strategies is not enough." *Scholz-Gross v. Starbucks Corp.*, 2019 WL 13201909, at \*2 (N.D. Cal. Feb. 8, 2019). As this Court has stressed, "broad allegations of harm, unsubstantiated by specific examples or articulated reasoning,' do not even satisfy the lower 'good cause' standard." *In re Twitter Inc. Sec. Litig.*, 2020 WL 2519888, at \*2 (N.D. Cal. May 18, 2020). Moreover, "[t]he mere fact that the production of records may lead to a litigant's embarrassment, incrimination, or exposure to further litigation will <u>not</u>, without more, compel the court to seal its records." *Kamakana*, 447 F.3d at 1179. And "conclusory offerings [in support of sealing] do not rise to the level of 'compelling reasons' sufficiently specific to bar the public access to the documents." *Id.* at 1182, 1184 (requiring a specific compelling reason for each redaction rather than "a general category of privilege").

"Additionally, because of the peculiar posture of class actions whereby some members of the public are also parties to the class action . . . the test for overriding the right of access should be applied in this case with <u>particular strictness</u>." *In re Cendant Corp.*, 260 F.3d 183, 194 (3d Cir. 2001); *see also Marsh v. First Bank of Del.*, 2014 WL 117086, at \*1 (N.D. Cal. Jan. 13, 2014) ("In a class action, the public right of access to court documents is <u>especially heightened</u>.").

The Sealed Exhibits refers to or contains material designated "Confidential" by Defendants. The Protective Order (ECF No. 69) provides that, under these circumstances, Lead Plaintiff must file under seal at this time the following documents:

- 1. Lead Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendants' Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment and Lead Plaintiff's Reply in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, which quotes and refers to the Sealed Exhibits;
- 2. Declaration in Support of Lead Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendants' Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment and Lead Plaintiff's Reply In Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, which quotes and refers to **Exhibits 38-88, 90-125, 127-132, 135-142, 144, 146-181, and 183**;
- 3. Lead Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendants' Request for Judicial Notice, which quotes and refers to the Sealed Exhibits;
- 4. **Exhibit 38**: a document produced by Defendant ChemoCentryx, bearing Bates Numbers CCXI-0000348432-34.
- 5. **Exhibit 39**: a document produced by Defendant ChemoCentryx, bearing Bates Numbers CCXI-0000288224-26.
- 6. **Exhibit 40**: a document produced by Defendant ChemoCentryx, bearing Bates Numbers CCXI-0000349022-26.
- 7. **Exhibit 41**: a document produced by Defendant ChemoCentryx, bearing Bates Numbers CCXI-0002696752-54.
- 8. **Exhibit 42**: a document produced by Defendant ChemoCentryx, bearing Bates Numbers CCXI-0000422432-34.

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Exhibit 84: a document produced by Defendant ChemoCentryx, bearing Bates

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1	140. <b>Exhibit 180</b> : excerpts of the transcript of the November 18, 2024 deposition of		
2	Dr. Steven Weisman.		
3	141. <b>Exhibit 181</b> : a chart titled "Examples Of Information Disclosed In FDA's May 4		
4	Briefing Book And Information Provided To Defendants Before Or During The Class Period."		
5	142. <b>Exhibit 183</b> : excerpts of the transcript of the November 1, 2023 deposition of		
6	David Ferreiro.		
7	By filing this motion, Lead Plaintiff does not concede that these materials are		
8	"confidential" or warrant remaining under seal.		
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